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## ANGLO-AMERICANS PASS OISE CANAL ON WIDE FRONT

New Successes in This Sector Menace Foe North and South.

**NEW MOVEMENT IS BEGUN** TO CLEAR NORTH BELGIUM

Allies But Seven Miles From Ghent - Enemy Resistance Reported Stronger.

SOON TO ASK SEPARATE PEACE

to Make Approaches-French on Danube Near Vidin.

in the war theater the ullied armies ave taken no heed of the efforts under way for the re-establishment of peace, but are continuing to force back the Germans at vital points along the lines in Belgium and France. In these endeavors the British and Americans ere for the moment taking the principal parts. The British have approached to within two miles of Valenlennes, and the Americans, to the

The text of the statement says:

"During the night and early morning there was sharp fighting for possession of the village of Amerval, which we captured during our attack yesterday. Determined attacks to regain the village were repulsed.

"Early this morning the enemy made an unsuccessful attempt to drive in our advanced troops in the neighborhood of the Cambrai-Bavai road. We secured a few prisoners. East and north of Denain our progress has continued in the face of considerable opposition.

"We are less than two miles from Valenciennes, and have reached the general line La Sentinelle-St. Amand-were reached the sentence of the statement and mines are to be allowed a liberal deduction for the depletion of their properties under an amendment to the income tax provisions of the revenue bill, which the Senate Finance Committee adopted to-day. The deduction will be determined on the basis of the fair market value of the properties, both as to properties acquired prior to March 1. 1913, and as to properties discovered by the taxpayer. Where properties are under lease, the deduction is to be equitably apportioned between the lessor and the lesser. advanced troops in the neighborhood of the Cambrai-Bavai road. We secured a few prisoners. East and north of Denain our progress has continued in the face of considerable opposition. "We are less than two miles from Valenciennes, and have reached the general line La Sentinelle-St. Amand-tongy-Taintegnies. We hold the west bank of the Scheldt at and sev-eral miles north of Pont-a-Chin, north-west of Tournai."

### AMERICANS CLEAR TWO IMPORTANT POSITIONS

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY NORTHWEST OF VERDUN. October 21.

The American attack, though on a comparatively small scale, to-day was entirely successful. The liois-de-Rappe and a formidable hill, No. 299, both points of strategic importance, were rushed and cleared of the enemy within three hours, despite unusual machinegun opposition.

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### Must See That Germany Is Placed in Bounds

In another of his discussions on the German government, Professor George D. Herron in to-day's Times-Dispatch warns the world that, defeated in war, Germany will but change its weapons to attain its ends: that it will not change its mind as to ultimately dominating the world. He declares that Germany must be placed under international tutelage until it shall learn lessons of judgment, justice and pity, making it a country sultable for fellowship with the other nations of the earth.

Unless this step can be taken, Professor lierron declares, then is this world to see but continued catastrophe and profounder purgatorial fires.

# **ALLIED VICTORIES ADD**

Population Must Be Cared For.

Be Helped-America Must Ship 17,550,000 Tons This Year.

WASHINGTON. October 21.—Allied victories in France and Beigium are daily adding to the numbers of mouths that must be fed by the people of the United States, it was declared by the United States food administration to-day.

### For After-War Reconstruction.

Hy Associated Press.1 WASHINGTON, October 21.—A conference at which after-the-war reconstruction will be discussed, will take place here next January, according to an announcement to-day by the National Popular Government League under whose auspices it will be half

## \$6.000,000 ABOVE QUOTA IN DISTRICT

ports Will Show Much Larger Oversubscription.

West Virginia Still Shown to Be Will Reopen Schools, Churches Short of Loan Quota. Women Win Prizes.

Although the Treasury Department official figures on total subscriptions, known sales amount to more than \$6,-TO MOUTHS TO BE FED 000,000 above the quota for the Fifth Federal Reserve District, while there 000,000 above the quota for the Fifth are indications that the amount will be increased several million when the Both Austria and Hungary Expected As Enemy Is Pushed Back Larger final compilation is made. The inofficial figures for Sunday, when the thirteen cial reports show subscriptions of \$286,-

> Virginia's slubscriptions are expected to total at least \$75,000,000, accord-MUCH MORE MUST BE SENT ing to officials. The fact that the majority of counties and cities in the When Foe Is Driven Across Meuse, State exceeded their quotas and Rich-Estimated 9,750,000 Will Have to mond passed its allotment by more than \$7.900.000, subscribing a total of \$27,-500,000 gives sufficient grounds for be-lief that the Virginia total will reach an excess of at least \$5,000,000 and

ciennes, and the Americans, to the day.

In occupying two highly important positions in their operation aimed at an advance northward.

American and British troops have crossed the Oise Canal on a wide front in the face of desperate resistance, and further successes in this sector will menace the Germans, both to the north and south.

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fourth loan a success. His letter follows:

"It affords me personal and official pleasure to note your efforts in the Liberty bond drive, closing October 18.

"This department was called upon when there was a necessity for active workers. Your response thereto and the excellent results obtained exemplifies the fact that this department may be depended on for any emergency when real men are needed. Therefore, it affords me exceeding pleasure to commend you for the good and efficient service rendered."

MORE THAN 8360,000 SOLD ON TROPHY TRAINS More than \$3,000,000 was sold by workers on the two war trophy trains which toured the Eifth District during

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FRENCH HALT ENEMY

TRAFFIC ON DANUBE

PARIS, October 21.—French troops have reached the Danube River in the region of Vidin, the War Office announced to-night.

"Eastern theater—On October 20, thirty-four days after launching their offensive, the French troops reached the Danube in the region of Vidin and took massures to prevent all traffic on the river. An enemy monitor was (Continued on Second Page.)

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WASHINGTON, October 21.—Three militants of the woman's party were arrested to-day, when they undertook to stage a demonstration in front of the Capitol. As the Senate was in session only a few minutes, they were discribed to adopt such plans for advertising the fourth Liberty loan bonds, which would be a direct appeal to the particism of the individual rather than a scheme of general advertising. With this in mind, the work was planned and pushed under the following general advertising the fourth Liberty loan bonds, which would be a direct appeal to the particism of the individual rather than a scheme of general advertising. With this in mind, the work was planned and pushed under the following general advertising the fourth Liberty loan bonds, which would be a direct appeal to the particism of the individual rather than a scheme of general advertising. With this in mind, the work was planned and pushed under the following general advertising the fourth Liberty loan bonds, which would be a direct appeal to the particism of the individual rather than a scheme of general advertising the fourth Liberty loan bonds, when they undertook to stage a demonstration in front of the Senate Office Building.

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## **GRIPPE SITUATION** MORE FAVORABLE

Indications Are That Final Re- Three Hundred and Twenty-Four New Cases Reported for Two Days.

### STATE'S EXCESS \$8,000,000 EIGHTEEN DEATHS YESTERDAY

and Theaters Within Ten Days, It Is Thought.

Richmond's death toll from the inyesterday issued orders to withhold all fluenza epidemic showed a slight decrease yesterday, eighteen fatalities reported, compared to from twenty-five to thirty every day during the past ten days. Although 324 new cases were reported yesterday many of these should be included in the deaths occurred. Reports would indicate that the

Reports would indicate that the strength of the epidemle is ebbing and that the number of cases and deaths will decrease daily henceforth. Thus far the health authorities have taken he action to rescind any of the measures taken to prevent the spread of the disease, although it is believed that, should conditions warrant, some of the restrictions will be lifted within the next few days.

Chief Health Officer Roy K. Flannagan is expected to return to Richmond to-day from Charlottesville, where he was called by the critical filness of his brother. Captain i. E. Flannagan. With Dr. Flannagan's return action tending to hasten the closing of the John Marshall emergency hospital and permitting the reopening of churches and theaters is anticipated.

That these measures may not go into effect for a week or ten days is probable, according to authorities, who are determined to have the situation completely in hand before taking any chances of a reaction. Although there has been some objection to the closing of churches and other places of working. Rev. A. D. Boda, pastor of the North Side Baptist Church, yesterday issued a statement in which he urged that the health board order stand.

MINISTER SAYS KEEP PLACES

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oxin.

To county health officers he has ent the following: "The State Board the doctors have been overworked, that any of them have been sick, and that reporting the number of cases of influenza has been very difficult, evertheless, in order that we may be the most effectively with the stuation, it is of tremendous importance that we have reliable data on which to base conclusions.

"May we not, therefore, urgently request that you send us, by night letter, collect, a report from your county, answering as nearly as possible the folcollect, a report from your county, answering as nearly as possible the following: Number of cases of inductor of cases of pneumonia? Number of deaths? Is emer-

### IMPROVEMENT REPORTED IN SIX STATES

which toured the Eifth District during the campaign, according to the announcement yesterday by Frederick Nolting, publicity chairman, who was in charge of the tours. Mr. Nolting also issued a report on the work of his committee during the campaign. The report reads:

"Publicity committee of the Fifth Federal Reserve District, in shaping its pians for the campaign now closing, andeavored to adopt such plans for advertising the fourth Liberty loan bonds, which would be a direct appeal to the patriotism of the individual rather than a scheme of general advertising. With this in mind, the work was planned and pushed under the following general needs: the distribution on a basis of the Continued on Last Page.) WASHINGTON, October 21.—Improvement in the influenza situation in six States was shown by reports received to day by the Public Health Service, but twenty-seven other States reported in a rease still so rading. Conditions apparently were werse in Pennsylvania, where it is estimated \$50,000 cases have occurred. With probably 150,000 in Philadelphia. For the first eighteen days of October, 14,805 deaths were reported in the State.

## BERLIN PROFESSES TO ACCEPT TERMS

### Senators Generally Skeptical About Changes in Government

WASHINGTON, October 21.—Germany's claims of a new and representative government, responsive to the people's will and no longer subject to an irresponsible and arbitrary will, as outlined by Dr. Solf, in the latest German note, are received generally with skeptleism by the State Department and members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

The State Department said no official advices had been received to confirm such a government as outlined by Dr. Solf.

Senator Borah characterized his claim as "lies," while Senator Mc-Cumber called it "camouflage."

Senator Hichcock, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, alone was inclined to give credence to the note.

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"It is in line with the news developments as we have had them from Germany," he said. "I'm inclined to accept it at its face. In some respects it nearly meets the President's demands. They have undoubtedly changed their constitution. Hereafter the Bundesrath and the Reichstag will undoubtedly have to concur in any declaration of war. In this country tongress must. However, I do not anticipate any quick cessation of bostilities. Any proposition for an armistice will be up to the military authorities and the Germans probably will be siow to accept the terms of Foch and the allied generals. Meanwhile the war must go on vigorously.

"Another angle which must be considered: Up to now the President has stated only the terms of

the United States. Should be determined to present Germany's requests for peace to the allies, Great Britain, France, Italy and the other nations would present their terms, to which the Germans must necedy. These undoubtedly would include restitution and indemnities, over and beyond the President's principles already announced."

"Solf is clearly a liar," said Senator Borah, "They don't know over there what a free government is, They suppose that when the Kaiser says they may do something and widens out their government at the bottom, somewhat, they've a free government. But all they have is a further permission from an autocratic ruler to act. Without his permission they wouldn't have the authority. The note doesn't constitute a compliance with the President's last note."

"It's camouflage," said Senator McCumber, "The President said he wouldn't talk with the present autocratic government, well, the German government is still the Kaiser and Solf is his mouthpiece. It still serves the party responsible for the war.

werves the party responsible for the war.

"The Germany that is responsible for this war and its atrocities by land and sea now asks the President to so act as not to dishonor it. She has already dishonored herself beyond dishonor from any other. And in her plea now is no word of reparation. Until she is whipped to the point of offering full and complete reparation and guarantees the war must go out we shouldn't even talk to her."

## CRUCIFIXION OF SOLDIER BRITISH LABOR STANDS

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Bosnevik inforers and the troops and police. It is reported that more than 3,000 persons have been killed. This information is contained in dis-patches from Vienna and Russia and received by the Copenhagen correspon-dent of the Exchange Telegraph Com-nany.

### FAMOUS ATHLETE DEAD

"Buck" Mayer Was Captain of University Tenm That Defeated

NORFOLK, VA., October 21.—"Buck"
Mayer, famous University of Virginia football star, and captain of the team that defeated Vale in 1916, died at Camp Johnston, Jacksonville, Fla., Monday, Mayer gave up his law practice in York Centre, W. Va., two weeks, ago to callst in a machine-gun company. He was two attempts of the company.

Prom Coffins to Movies,
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
EALEIGH, October 21.—The Bustness Men's Real Estate and Investment Company, of Whaton-Salem, a negro concern, is chartered with the unsual combination of powers that includes operating club houses for social purposes, inturance, manufacture of coffins, operation of moving pictures and collecting accounts. The capital is \$100,000 authorized and \$2,600 subscribed by J. S. Fotz and others.

cays of October, 14,800 deaths were to ported in the State.

In army camps a slight increase in both influenzs and pneumonia cases was reported Sunday, but a decrease was reported Sunday, but a decrease was shown to-day, with 3,007 influenzs.

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### PREMIER CONGRATULATES that ALLIED COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

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ALLIED COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
Marshal Foch on Sixty-Seventh Birthday, Replies to British
Premier.

LONDON, October 21.—Premier
Lioyd George's message of congratulation to Marshal Foch's each of no October 23.—When the great Hood of the conditions of an armistice should be left to the military leader reached this sixty-seventh Birthday, and Marshal Foch's each of no October 23.—Premier Lioyd George's message of congratulation to Marshal Foch's each of no October 23.—Premier Shal Foch's each of information. Lloyd George wired: "Please the Shal Foch's each of information. Lloyd Grish Bureau of Information in the matter of the shall be brought about for fixing the details. It trusts that the President of the Fresident that an opportunity should be brought about for fixing the details. It trusts that the President of the Fresident of the German people, and with opening a way to peace of use the mount of the more admire your marveloug skill as a comment when the allied armies under your manufact of the Information of the German people. For thumane actions made against the German people. For thumane actions made against the German people. For thumane actions and that you sincerely. I do not forget that it is to your insistence that I owe the position to the grish of the property of a retreat destructions to the property of the glorious days awaiting our armies is to be found in the perfect unity which exists now between all the allied forces."

WHEN YOUTH WEDS AGE

Woman of Twenty-Five Becomes Step-mother of Man of Sixty-Three,

DANBURY, CONN., October 21.—A mere girl of twenty-five one day and the next day stepmother to a man sixty-three years old, grandmother to her youthful stepson's children, cach old enough to be her own mother, and great-grandmother to her stepson's grandchildren, who are nearer her own age, and last, but by no means least, bride of Samuel II. Rundle, eighty-six, and worth \$5,000,000—such is the record of Miss (Badys A. Brown, of Washington and New York, which has to-day set all Danbury by the ears.

His physician informed binn, the aged groom declared to-night, that he would live five years longer if he married.

Mr. Rundle was formerly a banker. He is president and owner of the Danbury Fair.

"Hitherto the representation of the people in the German empire has not

### Need 2,000 Piremen Abourd Ships.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, October 21.—A call for 2.000 men to work as firemen on the American merchant marine, to make good a deficiency in the normal supply of volunteers caused by the induence endemic was insued.

# INDICATES EMPEROR IS LESS POWERFUL

Changed and Reformed Government. WILSON STUDIES UNOFFICIAL

Declares Germany Now Has

**VERSION OF GERMAN MESSAGE** Enemy Tells Willingness to Evacuate Occupied Territory

Under Agreement. REFORMS ARE IN PROGRESS

Berlin Believed to Be Bargaining to Avoid Unconditional Surrender.

WASHINGTON, October 21.-Germany

has replied to President Wilson with a note which, though no one is prepared to say it will lead the President even to continue exchanges on the subject of an armistice and peace, at least has served almost to bring conviction here that the people of Germany actually are taking the reins of government

The text of the German note, as received by wireless, is as follows:
"In accepting the proposal for an evacuation of occupied territories the German government has started from the assumption that the procedure of the assumption and of the conditions

DIRECTS CESSATION OF ATTACKS ON PASSENGER SHIPS

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NEW MINISTRY COMPLETED

Tewfik Pasha Completes Torkish Government, Whose Aim is to Secure Peace.

(By Associated Press.!

DASEL, Cetober 21.—Turkey's new ministry has been completed. The members of the Cabinet follow: grand viziest, Tewfik Pasha, minister of public instruction. Said Bey: minister of public works. Zia Pasha; minister of public works. Zia Pasha; minister of supply, Djeial Mukthar Boy; president of the council of state, Rachid Aki Pasha; Sheikh-ul-Islam, Houloussi Effendi.

Meed 2,000 Firemen Aboard Ships.

TO PEOPLE'S REPRESENTATION

"The responsibility of the Chancellow of the empire to the representation of the people is being legally developed and safeguarded. The first act of the new government his been to lay before the Reichstag a bill to alter the constitution of the empire so that the constitution of the empire so that the people is required for decisions on war and peace.

"The permanance of the new system is, however, guaranteed, not only beconstitutional safeguards, but also by the unstakable determination of the German people whose vast majority